## EASTER!

BY FANNIE ISABELLE SHEERICK.

For the Republican,
Oh, hush! the sound of music
Above the sob of prayer
Floats upward like an incense
Upon the trembling air,
Above the tomb, the lilles
Are clustered pure and white.
Their gleaning cense. s lifted,
Glad harbingers of light!

Oh, hark! the silver chiming
Of Joyous Easter bells.
Unto the dome of heaven
Their measured cadence swells.
No more the wees of mourning
No more the watch and prayer,
But only songs of rapture
That thrill the throbbing sir.

On earth, unfurl your banners
Your dream of night is done.
For through the rifted shadows
We see the gleaming sun.
The woe of death is ended
The sorrow and the pain—
The love of Christ bath conquered
And hope bath come again.

Oh, Easter littles blooming
For Christ the gentle King,
Around each heart in mourning
Thy perfunded incense fing!
Oh, white roned Easter angels
By Christ the Saviour led
Bring down the Jofful tidings
For Death himself is dead!

## SOCIETY.

Movements of the Social World and Fashionable Life.

### San Antonio.

Mr. Edward Persch, a talented young German well known in San Antonio business circles, was married at New Braunfels last Sunday to Miss Matilda Schimmelpfennig, the accomplished daughter of one of the oldest settlers of Comal county. A large delegation of friends from San Antonio attended the wedding. The presents, about fifty in number, were costly, beautiful and appreciative. On their arrival in San Antonio, which will be their future home, the couple were welcomed and entertained by the Teutonia Singing Club, of which the

is familiar to all old Texans, has just returned from a trip to Monterey, Mexico, which interested her very much. Mrs. Mayerick's life has been closely identified with the progress of San Antonio for more than forty years, and she had longed to see that memorable spot where the battle of Monterey was fought. Her son Al-bert, and family, accompanied her, but continued their journey on to Saltille, some sixty miles beyond Monte-

The open-air concerts given by the Eighth cavalry band of evenings, in Travis park, are getting to be very popular. It is the best opportunity popular. It is the best opportunity the ladies have of airing their spring costumes, many of which are elegant, and of course where lovely woman is found man delighteth to linger. There certs and gatherings of this kind take

Rev. Henry Kendall, D. D., of New York, accompanied by his wife, and Rev. H. S. Little, of Denison, Texas, are in the city and the guests of the

young lady, who will be a decided acquisition to San Antonio society.

James M. Eckford, on San Pedro avenue, Capt. John Eckford was joined in marriage to Mrs. Rachel J. Knox, widow of the late General William B. Knox of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Neil, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and was witnessed by many of the most worthy ladies of our city, among whom the reporter noticed Mrs. Judge Leigh, Mrs. J. W. Neil, Mrs. B. R. Sappington, Mrs. W. G. M. Samuel, Mrs. R. B. Alexander, Mrs. M. C. Paschal, and many others of the staunch and standard quality. The bride was dressed in a beautiful avenderally, plainly trimmed and wore no der silk, plainly trimmed and wore no head ornaments, her glossy black hair night, which was largely attended and being neatly braided and resting acknowledged by all as one of the smoothly over a forehead that prominently portrayed extraordinary intelligence. She is a beautiful and ac-complished and beloved lady. The groom needs no introduction. He gained a notoriety as the quartermas-ter of Wood's regiment in the Con-

tastefully decorated for the occasion, the best of music provided, and a splendid repast enjoyed during the midnight intermission. The following young gentlemen constituted the various committees of management: Floor manager, blue rosette and gold tassels, Sim Hart; reception committee, red rosette and gold tassels, Nat Sulzbacher chairman, Simon Veith, Hosias Morris, Abe Blum and A. E. Frank; floor committee, white rosette and gold tassels, W. H. Gerson chairman, M. Krandscherver, Harbart man, A. Kroenigsberger, Herbert Zork, F. Zimmer, G. B. Frank and Harry Baum. The attendance was Harry Baum. The attendance was very good and the ladies appeared perfeetly charming in their cheap, yet stylishly made calico costumes, rendering the scene a gay and interesting one. Among the ladies observed pres-ent by your reporter were Mrs. Max Meyer, Mrs. Sim Harr, who with her popular and handsome young husband led the grand Purim March, Mrs. Sam Schram, Mrs. B. Fryer, Mrs. S. Sulnon, Mrs. E. Hertzberg, Mrs. Max Xrakauer, Mrs. Ben Mokey, Mrs. Louis Michael of Overton, Texas, Mrs. Louis Michael of Overton, Fexas, Mrs. Alex Koenigheim, Mrs. Sol Haiff, Mrs. M. Haas, Mrs. Julius Oppenheimer, Mrs. A. Kahn, Mrs. Herman Kamppaann, Mrs. Isador Lowenthal wife of Rabbi Lewenthal, Mrs. A. M. Cohen and Misses Annie Zork, Johanna Neumann, Meianie Levy, Francis Joseph, Fannie and Jennie Koenigheim, Bettle Morris, the Misses Raum, Haneisen, Miss Sem-

old enough to spend a pleasant hour or so in tripping the light fantastic, among the number being Moses Veith, Charley Brown, who came up espeulally for the occasion, F. McHugo, Moses Jackson, C. Baum, Sol. Cohen, Julius and I. Zork, B. Bium, E. Saper, Harry Jackson, J. Laugeman, D. Koenigheim, Max Meyer, Sol. Halff, M. Haas, A. Steinert, L. Rouvant, C. Hertzberg, Ren Moke, Rev. Isador Lewinthal, who occupied an observant attitude, Alex. Koenigheim, A. M. old enough to spend a pleasant hour attitude, Alex. Koenigheim, A. M. Cohen and many others. The ball was novel in many of its features, each dance being dedicated to some person or object, each of the four daily news-

papers coming in for a place.

The feast of Purim, the fourteenth day of the twelth Hebrew month. called Adar, commemorates the event ents of valued gifts, and a season of general rejoicing. Though this feast is not of Biblical command, it is observed by Israelites throughout the world, who will never forget the trimph of justice and liberty over Haman and his henchmen who were deeply plotting to destroy the Jews and crush out their most cherished institutions. There were no services here on this day or of the deliverance of the Israelites from the wiles of Haman as fully destitutions. There were no services the touching, winning love story, so here on this day on account of repairs full of true pathos and sweet happibeing made on the synagogue, but it has heretofore been the custom to hold appropriate services, which have been attended by large congregations. The temple of worship will be repaired and ready for services in about two weeks.

On the 27th, 28th and 29th of this month a grand fair will be given at Casino hall under the auspices of the ladies of St. Mary's Catholic church. Mrs. Peter Gallagher is pre ident of the fair association, Col. Withers, of the First National Bank treasurer, and general manager Prof. G. Katzberger. For six weeks past, Mrs. C. H. Merritt, Mrs. Russell Howard, Mrs. Thomas Johnson, Mrs. G. Katz-berger, Mrs. Ed. Buckley, Mrs. M. H. Norton, Miss Mary Earle, Miss Maria groom is an active member.

Mrs. M. A. Maverick, wife of the late Samuel A. Maverick, whose name ladies have been devoting all their Lacoste, Mrs. Eugene Digges, Mrs. Edward Miles, Mrs. Myers and other spare time to working up the interests of the fair and have succeeded splen-didly. The fair promises to be the finest of its kind ever given here.

At St. Mary's Catholic church on Easter Sunday, Ch. M. Von Weber's mass in G will be rendered with chorus of twenty voices and strong orchestral accompaniment. The leading voices will be Mrs. Professor Katzenberger, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Johanna Rische, Professor Halbedl and Captain Karber, Professor Katzenberger will lead the music which will not be excelled in any church in South on that day.

Holy week terminates with Easter served with unusual unanimity particularly among Catholics. The shurches have been crowded during is no other city in the state where con- both day and evening services, and Thursday and Friday evenings the attendance at the Cathedral of San Fernando was very great, not less than fifteen hundred persons throng-ing the spacious building. The Mexigrand, special preparations having gifts been made, and the most difficult On the 21st, at the residence of Hon. masses will be rendered with trained choirs, orchestral and choral accompaniments. The ladies during this period dress plainly but neatly, but on Easter will appear in their best bibbintuckers and try to look as charming as they can. It is the end of the greatest of all seasons of church observation and restraint from dancing, attending amusements and common worldly pastimes will be cast aside.

### Waco. The most notable event of the week

was the Purim masked ball given by the ladies of the Hebrew Aid Society at the Opera-house on Wednesday

most enjoyable occasions of the season. At half past nine the music of the grand march commenced and nearly fifty couples formed the brilliant procession which represented almost every imaginable disguise. Many beau-tiful costumes and excellent concep-tions of character were notiseable. federate war on account of liberality and goodness of nature. His age is forty-five and this is his first wife, though he has lived among us since though he has lived among us since manner added new attractions to the library from the control of the high manner added new attractions to the character. mired and her bright and charming though he has lived among us since 1852. The many friends of the high contracting parties all over Texas will receive this news with joy.

At the Casino on the evening of the 22d was given a grand Purim calico ball under the amplees of the Merrymakers' Club. The elegant hall was solved as the contracting parties all over Texas will manner added new attractions to the character chosen. Miss Mary West personated a Russian perso Siftings; Miss I. N. Alexander the Waco Examiner; the Quaker family was represented by several prominent the truth, are the works of Dr. Watmembers of our clety; Mollie Hebrew So-Marx the Forest Queen ecived numerous compliments; and many other striking costumes were present. Misses Jennie and Sarah Lyons, who personated with such per-fection the character of M'lle Millie-Christine, won the prize awarded to the ladies, and Mr. D. D. Fairchild, as the daughter of Mother Hubbard, re-ceived the other prize, an elegant goldheaded walking cane. In every respect the ball was a brilliant success, and the ladies of the Hebrew Aid Society are to be congratulated on such a

social treat. Mr. J. E. Butts and Miss Rosa L. Eubank, of Circleville, were married at the Pacific Hotel Wednesday even-

The sudden death of young Ernest Richey, which occurred on Wednesday morning, was deeply regretted by many friends. He was the son of Rev. J. H. Richey and brother of J. R. Richey,

Esq. Mr. J. Calboun McLennan, son of Mr. J. Calboun McLennan, son of Mr. John McLennan, died on Satur-

day of consumption. Rev. S. A. King is quite sick, but his early recovery is hoped for by his

Capt. M. Surratt has an attack of measles.

Mrs. Geo. F. Oglesby came down

wife have become residents of Mc-

Mr. Walter R. King, son of Rev. A. King, has returned from Louisville Ky., where he has been for two years past a student of pharmacy. His success is a source of much pleasure to his

family and friends. Mr. Frank McGowan, of Houston, is here on a visit to relatives.

Mr. Herbert Hackett has returned to Waso after a prolonged absence.

Maj. J. W. Orand and wife are at home again from St. Louis.

Miss Willie, M. King accompanied by Miss Lida Whitsett, has returned from Bellwood seminary.
Mr. A. H. Mullens spent a few days

For consumption use Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar.

## Spiritism Means Devilism.

FORT WORTH, March 26, 1883.

In the GAZETTE of Sunday I noticed an article headed "Spiritism." I wish the writer would tell me from what source he derived his definition of spiritism and spiritualism. I have studied this much maligned subject for twelve years, as a science and a religion, and know spiritism king's to mean the religion of spiritualists, just as Methodism maid and Presbyterianism is the religion of Methodists and Presbyterians. Spiritualism is the purifying and elevating of the soul through a living faith

you more shame, and take heed how in spiritism, whereby we hold com-munion with God and angels. "I believe in the communion of saints" is one of the Christian dogmas and is one of the strong pillars of spiritism.

knowledge; was it from sitting in circles or from having intimate communion with the "evil one." The quota- alms before men to be seen of them." be so purified that they will furnish no avenue for the entrance of evil or familiar spirits. No class of persons realize more fully than spiritualist that the water partakes of the channel through which it flows. I suppose the "devilism" writer on that the word familiar as used in the Bible is synonymous with evil. If evil spirits the inference is that there are in the city and the guests of the can population are particularly dependence of the North-graph of the N are good spirits we can deal with. I would say to the writer on devilism to search the Scriptures for in it are the issues of life. "They seek the darkness to propo-

been sitting in circles for years with intelligent women and intellectual men, (not with "silly women") and have never been present at a perfectly dark circle except for materialization; and the best manifestations I have ever seen have been in strength of your weapon. Charity is the bright light of an afternoon, with tations I have ever seen have been in the bright light of an afternoon, with the bright light of an afternoon, with the medium and two or three friends, for "where two or three are gathered together in my name I will be in their midst." The conditions for materializations of the strength of your weapon. Charity is not puffed up, thinketh no evil, behaveth not itself unseemly. And now as an advocate of purity, virtue and their twin sister, spiritism, I sign my self tion in darkness any man who has studied solar and astral rays knows the power of the positive ray over the negative. Two rays of light, converging at the same point, will, instead of producing a white spot produces a shadow, for the reason spiritsts shut out the solar rays so as get perfect astral rays. Any man who has studied the science of light will see plainly the truth of the statement

tion that his reading is very limited, wide spread to those who are seeking son, Dr. Publes, Hudson, Tuttle, Prof. Denton, Zollner, Britten Cora, W. L. Richmond, Miss Shelhamer, and if you will look to the days of Queen Elizbeth, you will find the testimeny of the old friar, Roger Bacon, added to the list of those who stand as beaeons on the tower of spiritualism.

"They lead captive silly women."
When a man speaks so slightingly of women I wonder what kind of a mother he had, or if he has a wife and daughters. I have attended for years Methodist revivals, and upon one occasion the minister in his enthusiasm walked the tops of the pews, stepping wildly over the heads of his audience, exclaiming, "I am the Arkan-sas shouter." I have in my mind another minister who when he "professed religion said

he was going straight to heaven and began by climbing a sapling, which broke and landed him on terra firma." Did you ever hear of women doing more irrational things?

the catacombs of Rome? was it because their religion was unpopular, or because their deeds were evils? When Jesus raised from the dead Jariu's daughter, he said, "I charge you tell no man;" was this because the deed was evil!" And again, when the disci-Misses Baum, Haueisen, Miss Seminager, Miss B. Fedder, Pauline Frank, alss Grossman, of Chicago, Miss Grossman, of Chicago, Miss Faunie Simpson, Miss Carrie Biack, of Baton Rouge and Misses Place and Misses Baton, Comparison of Chicago, Miss Faunie Simpson, Miss Carrie Biack, of Baton Rouge and Misses Baton, Comparison of Chicago, Miss Grossman, of Chicago, Miss Grossman, of Chicago, Miss Faunie Simpson, Miss Carrie Biack, of Baton Rouge and Misses Baton, Comparison of the deed was evil? And again, when the deed was evil? And again, when the deed was evil? And again, when the disciples were in an upper chamber, and the doors were shut for fear of the Jews, was this because the deed was evil. And again, when the disciples were in an upper chamber, and the doors were shut for fear of the Jews, was this because the deed was evil? And again, when the disciples were in an upper chamber, and the doors were shut for fear of the Jews, was this because the deed was evil.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold left Waco for Kearney, Kansas, where they will hereafter reside.

Mr. Clarence A. Chambers and an article could manipulate well the thumb-screws of the Inquisition or light the fires of Smithfield. It has ever been the fate of seekers for the truth to suffer reproach and persecution at the hands of their fellow-men. What are looked upon as the superstitions of to-day will be the science of to-morrow. I will say as Replen did to Galilea, "Fear not; the truth is imperishable and philosophers can not pluck the stars from the heavens," and the truth of Spiritualism cannot be crushed by the orthordoxy giant. And now a word for the "com-mander in chief." She is a woman of intellect and merit, and if she affirms that she holds her position by the aid of spirits, she has the Bible to sustain her. "Are they not sent forth as min-

ligion of Spiritualism," Dr. Peeble's
"Our Homes Hereafter," "Art Magie"
by Emma Hardinge Britten, the gem
of spiritualistic effort of this and every other generation. Roger Bacon, the

well-known scientist, was a seer or medium. At one time being summoned before Queen Elizabeth, he waived his wand and straightway there was heard such music as had never been before, and such a smell as if all the rich perfumeries of the world had been there pre pared. An English nobleman, who was a skeptic, being present, and hav-ing said many unkind things, asked in a jesting way to see his sweetheart. Roger Bacon pulled a hanging in the apartment aside, and a kitchen king's every one saw a kitchen maid with a basting ladle in her The proud gentleman threathand. ened the friar with revenge. He simply answers; "Threaten not lest I do

you give scholars the lie." "It builds no alms houses and has no charitable institutions." It is not necessary to build houses for alms or charity. Lift up the fallen, set them "Spiritism is a mixture of magnetism, sleight-of-hand and devilism."
I would like the writer to prove these assertions. From what source does he derive his showing them the path to virtue and by kindness and charity have led ion with the "evil one." The quotation stone of spiritism is tions from Dent and Isa are familiar The foundation stone of spiritism is charity and to do unto others as you charity and to do unto you. "It would they should do unto you. separates husband and wife." peal to the lawyers to know if the crits in churches, and fraudulent mediums as well as immoral ministers we Bible is synonymous with evil. If do not deny. Who would think we are commanded not to deal with of condemning the christian religion as wholly bad because some of its advocates are bad. How many newspagifts of prophecy, and to mediums renowned for their intellect another the discerning of spirits, 1st and fine morals. I will add to this Corinthians, 12th chap. 8-9-10 verses. a weman whose sanity is unquestioned, and whose morals cannot be impeached. I will now speak for our young medium of Fort Worth, a girl gate their delasions." How does this gentleman know, has he been in the habit of attending services? I have

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